

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: TOCHISHITA, et al.

Group Art Unit: 3765

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Examiner: Timothy H. Meeks

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For.

SURFACE-TREATING SUPPORT MEMBER AND METHOD USING THE

SAME (As Amended)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003 for two months from May 26, 2003 to July 26, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$410.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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